

COUNTRY [REDACTED] REPORT

TOPIC Military Information from the Templin Training Area

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EVALUATION [REDACTED]

PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]

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DATE PREPARED

23 March 1953

REFERENCES [REDACTED]

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. &amp; TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS [REDACTED]

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. On 1 March 1953, a troop train carrying 16 x 37-mm AA guns and 29 trucks was seen passing through the Templin railroad station, coming from the direction of Eberswalde and proceeding toward Loewenberg.<sup>1</sup>

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2. On 13 March, the following troops and materiel were seen passing through Hammelspring, coming from the direction of Templin and proceeding toward Vogelsang: about 30 trucks occupied by a total of about 500 soldiers [REDACTED] and 10 x 76.2-mm field guns, at 5:15 p.m.; and 25 trucks occupied by a total of about 300 to 400 soldiers [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] 6 x 122-mm gun howitzers and 1 x 76.2-mm field gun, at 5:55 p.m.<sup>2</sup>

3. At 1:30 p.m. on 13 March, a column of about 25 trucks occupied by about 300 troops,

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[REDACTED] 6 x 76.2-mm field guns and jeep [REDACTED] was seen passing through Templin, coming from the direction of Prenzlau and proceeding toward Lycken.<sup>3</sup>

1. [REDACTED] Comment. The train probably carried units of the 120th (?) AAA Regt of the 6th Gds Mecz Div which, according to previous reports, went from Bernau to Jueterbog on 1 March.

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. According to motor vehicle [REDACTED] the two columns belonged to the Fourth Gds Mecz Army. The first column may have belonged to the unidentified Gds AT artillery brigade of the army stationed in Bernau. However, gun howitzers have not been observed with units of the army.

3. [REDACTED] Comment. The column, which belonged to the 25th Tank Div, probably came from Prenzlau. Units of the division stationed at the post, probably held short-term exercises at the Templin troop training grounds.

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